

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 419

By Eldridge

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Linda Sueing for her meritorious service with the Memphis Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding nurses who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality health care for Tennessee's veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable nurse is Linda Sueing, who has distinguished herself as a health care professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity, serving with acumen and alacrity since she began her career in 1977; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sueing earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Dillard University in New Orleans, Louisiana, in 1977 and went on to earn her Master of Science in Nursing from the University of Tennessee at Memphis in 1991; and

WHEREAS, since becoming a nurse, she has felt the distinct call to work with some of the marginalized people in our society, which she terms "the fringes"; and

WHEREAS, she started her career working with medical surgical patients, but because of her desire to help "the fringes," she moved on to work with newborn babies and teenage mothers; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, she started in management, working with the mentally ill at Memphis Mental Health Institute for eleven years; she went on to serve as Assistant Director of Nursing for nine years, in which capacity she worked with the Developmentally Disabled at the Arlington Developmental Center; and

WHEREAS, she has also worked with society's marginalized in the position of Nurse Manager at the Regional Medical Center in Memphis and the Memphis Veterans Affairs Medical

Center (VA); her work has afforded her the opportunity to serve bariatric patients, orthopedic patients, patients incarcerated from the city jail, and patients who are veterans; and

WHEREAS, she currently continues her endeavors on “the fringes” as Nurse Manager of the post-surgical care unit and the twenty-three-hour observation unit at the Memphis VA Medical Center, where she has served for three years; and

WHEREAS, her many accomplishments aside, Linda Sueing is most grateful for the love and companionship of her husband of twenty-seven years, Oscar Sueing; she has two children, Eric and Elizabeth; and

WHEREAS, a person of devout faith, Ms. Sueing has been an active member of the Mississippi Boulevard Christian Church since 1985; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sueing is an extremely talented and dedicated nurse who works compassionately to provide the highest quality care for Tennessee veterans and their families, and she truly serves as an inspiration for other professionals in the nursing field; and

WHEREAS, the ideal nurse who is devoted to her patients and to her country, Linda Sueing truly epitomizes the spirit of nursing, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend Linda Sueing for her meritorious service with the Memphis Veterans Affairs Medical Center, applaud her dedication to providing comfort to our brave veterans and their families, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.